

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Santosh Kumar Sadananda

Application No.: 10/781,227

Filed: 02/17/2004

For: METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR  
HANDLING MULTIPLE FAILURES IN AN  
OPTICAL NETWORK

Examiner: Shi K. Li

Art Unit: 2613

Confirmation No.: 2364

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)**

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a two month extension of time to file this response to the Office Action mailed April 10, 2007. The extended period is set to expire on September 10, 2007. Authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 the amount of \$450.00 to cover the fee for a two month extension of time.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN

Dated: September 10, 2007

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